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1. GSLOGIC-27 (IDEN) REPORTS MARIA PAULA SOUZA F R E I T A S CARRYING BRAZILIAN DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT 006358 ACCOMPANIED MIGUEL R U S S O INTO EL SALVADOR VIA VALLE NUEVO IMMIGRATION CHECKPOINT 29 JAN 73 TRAVELLING IN AUTOMOBILE WITH U.S. FLORIDA STATE PLATES 10120021. RETURNING TO GUATEMALAN TERRITORY VIA CUIDAD PEDRO DE ALVARADO IMMIGRATION CHECKPOINT ON 30 JAN 73.

2. GSLOGIC-27'S EFFORTS OBTAIN RUSSO'S LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE TOLLS REVEALED HE OFTEN USED TELEPHONE OF FRIEND AMAURY M O R E I R A DE SOUZA. LATTER IS OLD ACQUAINTANCE OF GSLOGIC-27 WHO AGREED COOPERATE INVESTIGATION RUSSO ACTIVITIES.

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MOREIRA SAID HE HAD HELPED RUSSO MOVE WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS CONTRABAND BUT NOW BELIEVES NARCOTICS ALSO INVOLVED. RUSSO HAS TWO SETS FALSE DOCUMENTATION: ONE CITING BIRTH BELICE (BRITISH HONDURAS), THE OTHER SPAIN. IN ADDITION, HOLDS BRAZILIAN DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT WHICH MOREIRA CLAIMS MARIA PAULA SOUZA FREITAS OBTAINED FOR HIM. LATTER ALSO HAS BEEN RUSSO CONTRABAND COLLABORATOR ACCORDING TO MOREIRA. MOREIRA SAID HE RECENTLY ASKED BY RUSSO TO CARRY UNDISCLOSED PACKAGE TO MIAMI FOR $5,000. GSLOGIC-27 SAID HE COULD ARRANGE WITH AMERICAN COUNTERPARTS PROTECTION MOREIRA AS COLLABORATOR IF HE WOULD AGREE CARRY PACKAGE TO MAKE POSSIBLE DETECTION MIAMI CONTACT. MOREIRA RELUCTANT BECAUSE HE CLAIMS "YEARS AGO" HE TRIED COOPERATE WITH INTERPOL AND ALMOST LANDED IN MIAMI JAIL AS INTERPOL FAILED HIM. GSLOGIC-27 FEELS, HOWEVER, HE CAN PERSUADE MOREIRA.

3. MOREIRA QUERRIED BY G-27 ON OTHER RUSSO CONTACTS: SAID LATTER WAS TO TRAVEL TO HONDURAN BORDER (AGUASCALIENTES CHECKPOINT) 28 APRIL TO CONTACT PERSON WHO HELPS HIM BRING IN CONTRABAND FROM HONDURAS. THIS PERSON TURNED OUT TO BE LOCAL IMMIGRATION CHIEF (ALSO IN CHARGE OF CUSTOMS), JOSE "CHEPE" D U A R T E, JR. GSLOGIC-27 SAID DURATE FROM CHIQUIMULA, SON OF FORMER CLOSE FRIEND OF PRESIDENT A R A N A, JOSE "CHEPE" DUARTE SENIOR, WHO KILLED BY

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TERRORISTS 1972. DUARTE JR. HAS REPUTATION INVOLVEMENT SHADY DEALS, BUT ESLOGIC-27 HAD TO APPOINT HIM IMMIGRATION OFFICER AGUASCALIENTES ON PRESIDENTIAL ORDERS. ESLOGIC-27 SAID HE ADVISED PRESIDENT ARANA ALLEGED DUARTE CONNECTION WITH SUSPECTED TRAFFICKER RUSSO. PRESIDENT GAVE E-27 GREEN LIGHT INVESTIGATE AND "TAKE NECESSARY ACTION". ESLOGIC-27 SENT ESMETRIC TEAM AGUASCALIENTES 28 APRIL TO VERIFY RUSSO-DUARTE CONTACT, WHICH AS OF 30 APRIL HAS NOT TAKEN PLACE.

4. MOREIRA ALSO REPORTED A FREQUENT AMERICAN CONTACT OF RUSSO IS MIAMI RESIDENT JOHN M A R T I N O, U.S. PASSPORT K-169259, WHO CURRENTLY STAYING AT HOTEL MAYA EXCELSIOR GUATEMALA CITY. PERSONAL CHECK BY ESLOGIC-27 REVEALED MARTINO CLOSE FRIEND OF ARTURO A R A N A, PRESIDENT'S BROTHER, AND HAS TAKEN ARTURO ON ALL EXPENSES PAID PLEASURE TRIPS TO MIAMI. ESLOGIC-27 COMMENTED PRESIDENT ARANA FULLY AWARE BROTHER ARTURO IS INFLUENCE PEDDLER WHO HAD TO BE RETIRED FROM GUATEMALAN TELECOMMUNICATION JOB DUE EXCESSIVE GRAFT.

5. ESLOGIC-27 AGREED NOT TO ARREST ANYONE UNTIL MEMBERS RUSSO NETWORK UNCOVERED AND SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE OBTAINED TO ESTABLISH BONA FIDES MOREIRA. HE OBSERVED ESMETRICS ARE ONLY ARM AVAILABLE

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TO HIM TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATION (WHICH HE MUST DO VIA ACTING ESMETRIC CHIEF), AND THAT ESMETRICS LACK NARCOTICS TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE.

7. WILL ADVISE FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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